



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK

ABLAPL No.13723 of 2025

Siddharth Sankar Behera **Petitioner**

Mr. S.S. Bhuyan, Advocate

-Versus-

State of Odisha & another **Opposite Parties**

Ms. B. K. Sahu, AGA

Mr. P. R. Barik, Advocate
(for the informant)

CORAM:

MR. JUSTICE R.K. PATTANAIK

ORDER

08.07.2026

Order No.

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1. Heard learned counsel for the respective parties.
2. Instant petition under Section 482 BNSS is filed for pre-arrest bail of the petitioner in connection with Mahila Police Station, UPD, Bhubaneswar P.S. Case No.355 of 2025 pending in the file of S.D.J.M., Bhubaneswar on the grounds stated therein.
3. Perused the FIR as at Annexure-1. This Court by order dated 24th May, 2026 had directed the parties to go for mediation. The mediation report is at Flag-K. The said report reveals that the mediation is unsuccessful. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the parties were romantically involved and hence, a consensual relationship but it turned sour leading to the lodging of the FIR. The case diary is submitted to the Court along with the other relevant documents. The FIR alleges that for the marriage of the victim with the petitioner, a



demand of Rs.15 lac was made, however, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that such allegation is utterly false. The submission is that the petitioner is a contractor and therefore not being employed anywhere, the family of the victim did not agree for the marriage proposal, hence, it failed. Mr. Barik, learned counsel for the informant appears through virtual mode and submits that there has been threat to the victim from the side of the petitioner and in that connection, a report has been lodged recently. In response to the above, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that a similar complaint is lodged with the police alleging vandalism against the informant, but no action has been taken by the PS concerned. Considering the relationship between the parties and the dispute between them especially after their marriage failed to materialize and such relationship between them ended with bitterness and lodging the FIR, this Court, in view of the counter allegations against each other, is inclined to direct the petitioner to surrender before the learned court below for being released with suitable conditions even if his bail plea is not entertained.

4. Accordingly, it is ordered.

5. In the result, the ABLAPL is disposed of. It is directed that in the event, the petitioner surrenders before the learned S.D.J.M., Bhubaneswar in connection with Mahila Police Station, UPD, Bhubaneswar P.S. Case No.355 of 2025 corresponding to C.T. Case No.2309 of 2025 within a fortnight from today, he shall be released on bail upon furnishing a bail bond of Rs.20,000/- (rupees twenty thousand only) with one



solvent surety for the like amount and such other terms and conditions as deemed just and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case. It is further directed that the petitioner shall furnish an undertaking before the court below to not threaten and cause any harm to the informant in any manner and whatsoever, while on bail.

6. Issue urgent certified copy as per rules.

(R.K. Pattanaik)
Judge

Sumitra